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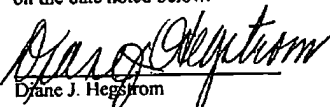
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ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect Species I for further prosecution on
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The claims readable on elected Species I are claims 1-9.